

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims

CLAIMS

1.-48. (cancelled)

49. (Previously presented): A graphical display interface portal tangibly embodied on a computer readable media, the graphical display interface portal providing a user interface for interactivity, comprising:

a document display area of a user interface display screen, the document display area defining a currently active program object that enables program interaction by a user; and

a neighborhood panel presented on the user interface display screen along side the document display area, such that the neighborhood panel is concurrently illustrated when the currently active program object for the user is present, the neighborhood panel including a list of one or more users and a list of one or more program objects,

the list of one or more users being automatically displayed in the neighborhood panel, each user in the list of one or more users being selected for display in the neighborhood panel based on a relationship between the user and the currently active program object, the relationship being defined by a metric; and

the list of one or more program objects being automatically displayed in the neighborhood panel, each program object in the list of one or more program objects being selected for display in the neighborhood panel based on a relationship between the program object and the currently active program object, the relationship being defined by a metric;

wherein automatically displaying the list of one or more users and the list of one or more program objects in neighborhood panel provides a viewable interrelationship and an accessible link to the users and program objects that are most related to the currently active program object, as defined by the metric for the users and the metric for the program objects, and wherein the accessible link to either the users or the program objects is presented as an icon, the icon providing a graphical or text indicator of a type for the accessible link.

50. (Previously presented) A graphical display interface portal as recited in claim 49, wherein the neighborhood panel further identifies a history list, the history list defining users and program objects that the user of the currently active program object has accessed or communicated with, the history list being automatically updated and displayed on the user interface display screen.

51. (Cancelled)

52. (Previously presented): A graphical display interface portal of claim 49, wherein the currently active program object is one of a word processing document, an email message, a telephone conversation, or a web page.

53. (Previously presented): A graphical display interface portal of claim 49, wherein the metric for the users is determined by a number of times the users accessed the currently active program object in the past.

54. (Previously presented): A graphical display interface portal of claim 49, wherein the metric for the program object is determined by an amount of common content between the currently active program object and the program object.

55. (Previously presented): A graphical display interface portal of claim 49, wherein the metric for the program object is determined by a frequency with which the program object is accessed by one or more users.

56. (Previously presented): A graphical display interface portal of claim 49, wherein the metric for the program object is determined by whether the program object is a copy of the currently active program object.

57. (Previously presented): A graphical display interface portal of claim 49, wherein the metric for the program object is determined by whether the currently active program object referenced the program object.

58. (Previously presented): A graphical display interface portal of claim 49, wherein the metric for the user is determined by whether the user has accessed the program object.

59. (Previously presented): A graphical display interface portal of claim 49, wherein the metric for the user is determined by whether the user was contacted.

60. (Previously presented): A computer implemented method of accessing a related item through a graphical user interface (GUI) that provides graphical access and interactivity, comprising:

displaying a currently active program object in a display area and allowing user interaction with aspects of the active program object;

automatically generating a list of related users and program objects for the currently active program object based on a metric;

concurrently displaying the list of related users and program objects in a neighborhood panel, such that the neighborhood panel is displayed along with the currently active program object in the display area; and

enabling access to at least one of the related users or program objects through the neighborhood panel, wherein access to either the users or the program objects is enabled through an icon, the icon providing a graphical or text indicator of a type for the access.

61. (Currently amended): A computer implemented method of accessing a related item as recited in claim 60, wherein the neighborhood panel further identifies a history list, the history list defining users and program objects that the user of the currently active program object has accessed or communicated with, the history list being automatically updated and displayed in the display area.

62. (Currently amended): A computer implemented method of accessing a related item as recited in claim 60 wherein the currently active program object is one of a word processing document, an email message, a telephone conversation, or a web page.

63. (Currently amended): A computer implemented method of accessing related item as recited in claim ~~[[53]]~~ 60, further comprising:

selecting one or more users for display in the neighborhood panel based on a relationship, between the user and the currently active program object, defined by the metric.

64. (Currently amended): A computer implemented method for accessing related item as recited in claim ~~[[53]]~~ 60, further comprising:

determining the metric for the users by the number of times the users accessed the currently active program object in the past.

65. (Currently amended): A computer implemented method for accessing related item as recited in claim ~~[[53]]~~ 60, further comprising:

determining the metric for the program object by a frequency with which the program object is accessed by one or more users.

66. (Currently amended): A computer implemented method for accessing related item as recited in claim ~~[[53]]~~ 60, further comprising:

determining the metric for the program object by an amount of common content between the currently active program object and the program object.